

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: BUERGELT, C. D.

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Examiner: OGUNBIYI, O. A.

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Group: 1645

For: **METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR DIAGNOSING BOVINE
PARATUBERCULOSIS**

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 6, 2007. This response is being timely filed within the shortened statutory period and as such, no fees are believed due. Although, Applicants believe that no further extensions of time or fees are due, please consider this submission as a petition for any retroactive extension of time needed. The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge the amount due for any retroactive extension of time and any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper or credit any overpayment in any fees paid on the filing, or during prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.